## Edwards & Angellus

RECEIVED **CENTRAL FAX CENTER** NOV 0 9 2004

101 Federal Street Boston, MA 02110 617.439.4444 fax 617.439.4170 www.EdwardsAngell.com

Date: November 9, 2004 Direct: (617) 739-4444 Fax: (617) 439-4170 From: William J. Daley To: Examiner Glenda P Rodriguez &703) 305-4898: Fax (703) 872-9306 Art Unit 2651 If you received a partial delivery, please call Safiya Jarvis at (617) 739-4444 Re:

U.S.S.N.: 09/925,907 **ART UNIT: 2651** 

Examiner: Glenda P Rodriguez

Confidentiality Note: The documents accompanying this facsimile contain information from the law firm of Edwards & Angell, LLP, which may be confidential and/or privileged. The information is intended for the use of the individual or entity named on this transmission sheet. If you are not the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any disclosure, copying, distribution or the taking of any action in reliance on the contents of this facsimile is strictly prohibited, and that the documents should be returned to this firm immediately. If you have received this facsimile in error, please notify us by telephone immediately so that we can arrange for the return of the original documents to us at no cost to you.

Attorney Docket No. 56,378 (70904)

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**APPLICANTS** 

M. Hamamoto, et al.

EXAMINER:

Rodriguez, Glenda P. RECEIVED

CENTRAL FAX CENTER

U.S.S.N.:

09/925,907

GROUP:

2651

NOV 0 9 2004

FILED:

August 9, 2001

Conf. No.

4511

FOR:

MAGNETIC SIGNAL RECORDING METHOD AND MAGNETIC

RECORDING-REPRODUCING APPARATUS

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being transmitted by facsimile to (703) 872-9306 at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 9, 2004.

## **EXAMINING GROUP 2651** RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

Sir:

The following is in response to the Final Office Action mailed September 8, 2004, in the above referenced application.

Applicants believe that no extension of time is required since this response is being filed before the expiration of the specified time period. Applicants, however, conditionally petition for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked and is required. As provided below charge Deposit Account No. 04-1105 for any required fee.

Applicant: M. Hamamoto, et al.

U.S.S.N.: 09/925,907

Response to Final Office Action

Page 2 of 41

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 8 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.